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	Group Art Unit	1651
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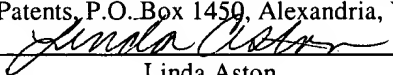
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2004 for which a response is due April 14, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.